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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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County Administration issues updated Face Covering protocol:

County operations continue to function with scaled back staffing to adhere to the Governor's orders and other protective recommendations for preventing and eliminating the spread of Coronavirus. Moore County Administration appreciates everyone's patience and understanding of these operational changes which are necessary in getting through this unprecedented event while continuing to provide services. The County will continue providing essential services as efficiently, effectively and timely as possible; we are looking forward to the day when we can resume normal operations and interact with our beloved Moore County citizens in our offices, and in their homes and places of business. Meanwhile the County has implemented some additional protocols for employees and for citizens who visit our facilities effective Friday, April 17, 2020 at 5:00 PM until further advised.

Employees will wear a face covering anytime when meeting or working in direct contact with a member of the public or another staff member.

Members of the public are also to have a face covering when in direct contact with County staff at Moore County Governmental facilities.

Accommodations will be made for citizens with restrictions (i.e. young children under age 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance) that prevent them from wearing a face covering.

The <u>CDC guidelines and recommendations</u> provide great information and insight concerning face coverings. Although commercially manufactured masks are in limited supply, there are numerous options available for simply crafted cloth face coverings.

Sheriff's Office, Detention Center Staff, Public Safety, Moore County Transportation Service, and Aging In-Home-Aid have established tailored measures to fit their operational needs.

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